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Please see the attached formal response, and feel free to call me at (512) 343.6116 should you have any questions concerning the attached.

1. Amendment A Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Respectfully submitted,

Brian F. Russell

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In re Application of:  
**BLOCK ET AL.**

Serial No.: 09/800,398

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Title: APPARATUS FOR FILTERING  
INTER-NODE COMMUNICATION IN  
A DATA PROCESSING SYSTEM

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**AMENDMENT A UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This Amendment is submitted in response to the Office Action dated September 29, 2004, having a shortened statutory period set to expire December 29, 2004.

Please amend the above-identified application as indicated below.

